

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Delete the current Abstract and replace therewith the attached replacement Abstract of the Disclosure.

The changes to the Abstract as shown below:

~~To obtain a comfortable feeling of click at the time of depression operation and to provide a depression switch and a multidirectional input device with excellent operability:~~

A depression switch 700 in a multidirectional input device A comprises a key top 710 which is provided below an operating member 400 so as to penetrate a bottom plate portion 211 of a lower case 220 and to be movable in a vertical direction, an elastically deformable dome-shaped movable contact piece 720 abutting the key top 710 moved downward, one fixed electrode 731 provided below an end portion 721 of the movable contact piece 720 on a substrate 100, the other fixed electrode 732 provided at the position of contacting a central portion 722 of the elastically deformed movable contact piece 720 on the substrate 100 and a spacer 740 for electrically connecting the end portion 721 of the movable contact piece 720 to the one fixed electrode 731.